

PRISON WORKERS MEET IN CHICAGO

National Association of Reform Workers to Hold Convention.

Noted Criminal Lawyers Will Address Delegates on Prison Conditions.

Chicago will be filled with prison workers, planning reforms, from September 11 to 15. The occasion is the annual congress of the National Prison Association, of the United States.

Charles J. Bonaparte, Attorney General of the United States, will turn for the moment from jailing millionaires and "busting" trusts to give an address on "Punishment and Pardon" before the congress. It may well be that he will plead for leniency in the treatment of imprisoned magistrates after they have served sentences of reasonable length.

The leaders in the study of criminal law and in prison administration will be heard from. Among those are Judge Frank S. Roby, of Indiana; Judge Julius W. Mack, of Illinois; Hon. Arthur N. Sager, of Illinois; Z. R. Brockway and Joseph F. Scott, of New York; Maj. R. W. McClaughry, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas; Dr. J. Howard Wilson, of South Carolina; Dr. J. T. Gilmore, of Canada; Henry Wolfer, of Minneapolis. Among those prominent in preventive work on the program are Dr. Charles R. Henderson and Dr. H. H. Hart, of Chicago; Homer Folke, New York; J. A. Leonard, of Ohio, and W. H. Whitaker, of Indiana. The National Prison Association is a great semi-official organization whose membership covers the North American continent. Every State, three branches of the United States Government, the Dominion of Canada, and its provinces, and a large number of cities have appointed official delegates to the congress.

The National Prison Association was organized at Cincinnati in 1870 and was granted a charter by the State of New York in 1871. Among the dozen or more incorporators were Horatio Seymour, Theodore W. Dwight, Amos Pillsbury, Rutherford B. Hayes, Conrad Baker, Charles F. Coffin, James G. Blaine, Enoch C. Wines, Theodore Roosevelt, Morris K. Jesup, and Frank B. Sanborn. Rutherford B. Hayes served as president of the association from the time he was governor of Ohio until his death, following which Gen. R. B. Rusk, of Ohio, was president for several years.

BANK STOCKHOLDERS ELECT DIRECTORS

At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Merchants' and Mechanics' Savings Bank of Washington, which was held in Alexandria, Va., Tuesday, September 10, the following directors were elected for the coming year: Emmet L. Adams, Bert T. Amos, R. E. Burke, A. C. Clapham, Samuel D. Cole, Charles W. Larr, R. A. Dore, C. H. Fred, Anthony Gagliardi, Eldridge E. Jordan, George H. Linkins, M. G. McMorris, P. J. Noel, Julius I. Peyser, Emanuel Speich, Joseph Strasburger, James Strayer, Charles J. Walker, William C. Worthington, and O. B. Zantinger.

There was a largely attended meeting of the Petworth Citizens' Association last night when civic improvements were considered, chiefly the need for additional school accommodations.

It was announced that the plans for the six-room addition to the school building had been completed and that bids for the work would be opened September 14. It will not be ready for occupancy for a year. The appropriation for the work did not become available until last July. The Petworth School is badly crowded.

Action was taken looking to better street car accommodations, the improvement of Varnum, Shepard and L'Enfant streets, the erection of the town hall, street cleaning, and other matters.

BRAKEMAN HAS FOOT CRUSHED. William Dalby, a brakeman at the Eckington freight yards, living at 27 Florida avenue, had his foot crushed by the wheel of a freight car last night. He was taken to the Casualty Hospital, where it was said today that it would not be necessary to amputate the member.

Floral Decorations by Artists. Gude's experts are unusually skilled in floral work for weddings. 1214 F.

A Delicious Spread for Daily Bread. Freshness and delicious flavor make James F. Oyster's "Pout-Lost-Clover" Creamery Butter the choice of particular people. 5-lb. boxes a specialty. 9th & Pa. av.

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Souvenir Post Card Friend Is Causing Much Trouble In Washington Postoffice

Washington is feeling the work of the post-card friend, although not as badly, perhaps, as some of the larger cities. Postmaster Barnes stated this morning that his office was experiencing some trouble with the obnoxious cards, and that many of them had already been taken from the mails and referred to the chief postoffice inspector for investigation and prosecution, where sufficient evidence is obtainable.

Reject Many Cards. It is stated that the Washington postoffice is withholding from the mails an average of about forty cards every week. These cards are extracted from the mails by the clerks who handle same, and are then referred to the Postmaster, who, in turn, files them with the chief postoffice inspector.

It is pointed out that the final determination of whether or not a card is really obnoxious is with the judge who tries the case, and that there has developed a wide range of opinion in these cases, so that only the more pronounced of the questionable cards are withheld for investigation.

Prosecution Difficult. It is stated by officials of the department that there have been a number of prosecutions since the post card craze has been in vogue, but that it is generally a difficult matter to secure sufficient evidence upon which to base prosecutions, as but few of those who send such cards through the mails are unwise enough to put anything on them by which the senders thereof might be traced.

Postal officials point out the fact that a severe penalty is provided for the sending of obnoxious matter through the mails. Section 497 of the postal laws and regulations states that every obscene, lewd, or lascivious book, pamphlet, picture, paper, letter, writing, print, or other publication of an indecent character, is declared to be unlawful.

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NEW BUILDINGS GAINED \$1,000,000

Inspector Ashford's Report Shows \$13,166,166 Expended Last Year.

Higher Pay and Additional Assistants Are Asked.

Building Inspector Snowden Ashford has submitted to the Board of District Commissioners his annual report of the operations of his office. It is shown that there were 9,900 permits issued during the fiscal year, closed June 30, 1907, calling for an estimated expenditure of \$13,166,166. This is an increase over the preceding year of \$205,271.

In asking for an increase of the force of building inspectors, Mr. Ashford shows that during the year 5,000 new buildings were erected, necessitating 5,000 visits by the nine inspectors in the service. He wants the number of inspectors increased to nineteen, and their pay from \$1,200 to \$1,400.

Public Improvements Planned. Among the plans under way for schools and other public improvements are these: McKinley School, Langdon School, Eastern Market, Washington Heights School, Lincoln Park School, additions to the Petworth, Gage, and Emory schools, with these schools under construction, Ketcham, Brightwood, Deanwood.

In connection with the new fire-escape law three additional inspectors are asked to enforce the law. A sanitary officer for inspection of District of Columbia Government buildings, of which there are over 200, is asked. Inspector Ashford points out the need of a board of examiners to pass upon the qualifications of those practicing the profession of architects, similar to a medical and law examining board.

New Buildings Erected. Buildings for the District government, exclusive of cost of site, erected during the year follow:

Anthony Hyde School.....	\$48,470
P. C. Court.....	42,600
Police Court.....	42,600
Home for the Aged and Infirm.....	119,850
Industrial Home School.....	119,850
Workhouse, Washington Asylum grounds.....	99,950
Total.....	461,694

Buildings under construction and not completed:

Ketcham School, No. 149, 70 per cent completed.....	
Brightwood School, No. 151, 30 per cent completed.....	
Deanwood School, No. 152, 20 per cent completed.....	

Chemical engine house, Benning, 70 per cent completed.

Crematorium, reservation 12, 35 per cent completed.

Cell work at workhouse is completed.

Along with the report came the annual estimate of expenses for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1908. It shows an increase of \$5,700 over the appropriation now being used, which was \$4,500.

Inspector Ashford receives a salary of \$2,700. He does not ask for an increase, but points out the fact that his office is doing considerably more for the same work than he has to do.

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Thursday's Specials

Tomorrow we offer some notable One-Day, Room-Making Price-Reductions on Desirable Shoes. Some are Fall Weight Low Cuts. Others, early fall High Shoes.

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For Early Fall Wear
At Thursday Prices.

Dix's famous \$1.25 grade turn kid or patent leather shoes for small children (sizes 4 to 8) in laced or button styles, or wide toed "Nature Shaped" styles..... **87c**

Misses' and Little Boys' Excellent \$1.25 grade School Shoes, Boys' sizes to 13½. Girls' sizes to 2..... **95c**

Women's Good \$1.50 Grade Vici Kid Laced Blucher and Button Boots, 5 styles. Thursday at..... **\$1.19**

Girls' and Little Boys' Finest \$1.75 and \$2 grade Patent Ideal Kid Laced or Button Boots, sizes 5 to 11..... **\$1.35**

Boys' \$2.50 Box Calf Welled Sole Laced Shoes, sizes 1 to 5½. Misses' \$2.50 Patent Ideal Kid Hand-welld Laced or Button Boots, most sizes from 11½ to 2. Thursday only..... **\$1.79**

Women's \$3 Hand-Sewed Welld Laced Shoes, with kid tips—a splendid walking or shopping style..... **\$2.27**

Men's \$5 Quality Vici, Kid or Gun Metal Calf Blucher, Laced and Button styles..... **\$2.35**

Women's \$3.50 and \$4 Patent Ideal Kid Boots. Two exceedingly attractive styles. Thursday..... **\$2.69**

LOW SHOES
Again Cut Deeper
For Thursday Only.

Five styles of our famous "WI-MO-DAU-SIS" women's kid or patent kid, turn or welt soled Oxford, Ties and Pumps. Thursday only..... **\$2.15**

Women's splendid \$2.50 to \$3.50 Low Shoes in many handsome and popular styles, made of best black, tan, and shiny leather..... **\$1.69**

Only a few days left to buy any man's \$3.50 to \$5 Low Shoe in these 3 stores for..... **\$2.85**

Only a few days left to buy any Woman's \$2.50 to \$5 Low black, tan, or patent—ent-for..... **\$2.79**

Women's \$1.25 and \$1.50 grade hand-turned Oxford Ties and Pumps..... **95c**

Misses' and Children's kid or patent colt \$1.50 grade Blucher, Gibson or Oxford Ties..... **\$1.15**

Women's splendid \$2 quality tan or black kid Blucher and Oxford hand-turned Ties. Six handsome styles..... **\$1.37**

Any Boys' or Girls' \$2.50 to \$3.50 Low Shoe—any style or leather—yours for..... **\$1.95**

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SIX PLAYGROUNDS MAY BE OPENED

Board of Education Committee Recommends Fall Work.

At the meeting of the Board of Education Committee of the Washington Playground Association, at the Franklin School yesterday, there were present: Mrs. Ellen Spencer Mussey, Dr. Richard Kingman, W. B. Patterson, Prof. B. T. Janney, F. M. Ely, and Dr. H. M. Johnson, Dr. W. S. Montgomery, Prof. Jackson, Henry L. Bailey, and Dr. Henry S. Curtis, supervisor of playgrounds.

It was decided to recommend the opening on September 30 of the following school playgrounds, provided this should not interfere with half time classes: Ludlow, Force, Dennison, Jefferson, Magruder, and Birney. These to be open on every school day from 3 to 5 p. m. in charge of a teacher.

Dr. Curtis extended an invitation to the supervising principals to make as wide as possible use of the municipal playgrounds for baseball or football contests between the upper classes in their divisions. He also spoke to the supervising principals on the advisability of forming in Washington a public school athletic league.

After the meeting the members of the committee visited the industrial exhibit in the rooms below and expressed very great surprise at its excellence.

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